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DCHC MPO Seeks Comment on Transportation Priorities

Feedback Requested by December 12; Public Hearing Set for November 8

DURHAM, N.C. – The <u>Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO)</u> is seeking public feedback on the <u>draft 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)</u>, which will drive future policies and decision-making processes for highway, bicycle, pedestrian, and transit projects.

Residents and stakeholders can now review and provide input on the draft 2045 MTP (also known as the Preferred Option), which shows the highway, bus transit, rail transit and other transportation projects to be implemented over the next 30 years, using the feedback methods below:

- Visit the <u>DCHC MPO website</u> and provide comments directly by <u>email</u> by December 12.
- Attend a public hearing with local elected officials on Wednesday, November 8 at 9 a.m. in the Durham City Hall Committee Room, 101 City Hall Plaza.

The final plan is scheduled to be approved in December 2017, which will include projects for consideration to receive state and federal funding through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The final plan report will be adopted January 2018.

Any person with a disability may receive an auxiliary aid or service to effectively participate in the public workshop next week and the public hearing next month by contacting the City's ADA Coordinator at (919) 560-4197 or by <a href="mailto:em

For more information about the 2045 MTP, contact Andy Henry with the City of Durham Transportation Department at (919) 560-4366, ext. 36419 or by <a href="mailto:emai

About the City of Durham Transportation Department

The <u>Transportation Department</u> is responsible for a broad range of transportation services, which include traffic signs and signals, transportation planning, parking operations, street lighting, taxicab administration, and bicycle and pedestrian planning. The department also oversees <u>GoDurham</u> and <u>GoDurham ACCESS</u> as well as leads planning functions for the <u>Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO)</u>, which is the regional organization that is responsible for planning and programming state and federal transportation projects in the urbanized areas of Durham, Orange, and Chatham counties. Guided by the City's <u>Strategic Plan</u>, the department helps to strengthen the foundation, enhance the value, and improve the quality and sustainability of neighborhoods that are necessary for a strong and diverse community.

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